



May 13, 2011

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals, TW-A325
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation
Connect America Fund - WC Docket No. 10-90
High-Cost Universal Service Support - WC Docket No. 05-337
A National Broadband Plan for Our Future – GN Docket No. 09-51.**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, May 12, 2011, Karen Perry (on behalf of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation) and the undersigned (on behalf of the SHLB Coalition) met with Carol Matthey, Patrick Halley, Alex Minard, and Amy Bender of the Wireline Competition Bureau to discuss the proceedings above. We discussed the importance of ensuring that community anchor institutions are provided affordable, high-capacity broadband in high-cost areas. We discussed what levels of broadband service are needed by community anchor institutions, how to design the rules so that recipients of Connect America Fund support could use that support to deploy greater broadband to anchor institutions, and how to define an “anchor institution.”

Sincerely,

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